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1. SINGAPORE FOREIGN MINISTER RAJARATNAM DEPARTED FOR LIMA MORNING OF AUGUST 21, AND IN VIEW OF FACT THAT HE IS (NEXT TO PRIME MINISTER LEE, OF COURSE) THE PRINCIPAL FOREIGN POLICY ARBITER IN SINGAPORE I DOUBT THAT IN HIS ABSENCE ANY FURTHER FOLLOW-UP HERE ON NAC WILL ADD TO SINGAPORE'S POSITION.

2. HOWEVER, ROK CHARGE SOH TELLS ME THAT HE HAS KEPT IN TOUCH WITH RAJARATNAM, AND IS CONFIDENT THAT RAJA WILL DO WHATIS EXPECTED OF HIM AT LIMA. HE WILL NOT CO-SPONSOR UNFRIENDLY RE-SOLUTION. ACCORDING TO SOH, RAJA WILL ADHERE TO THE "BOTH OR NEITHR" FORMULA AND WILL SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE ROK IF THIS BECOMES NECESSARY. OTHERWISE, RAJA WILL STAY QUIETLY IN THE BACK-GROUND AND, IN THE EVENT OF A FAVORABLE VOTING TREND, "JUST RAISE HIS HAND."

3. SOH ALSO INFORMS ME THAT ROK FOREIGN MINISTER KIM DONG JO ARRIVED IN LIMA AUGUST 18, AND WILL CALL ON RAJARATNAM AT
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LATTER'S HOTEL SOON AFTER RAJA'S ARRIVAL FOR WHATEVER LAST-

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MINUTE COORDINATION MAY BE NECESSARY. SOH HAS ALREADY SENT KIM
DONG JO THE NECESSARY BRIEFING MATERIALS.
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